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Docket No. 3499-97

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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BOX PATENT APPLICATION
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a utility patent application

Of: John Brixius, James G. Schaad, David W. George, Robert J. Dent, A. Ryan Bell, Jodi-Lynn Weber, Vera B. Shokina, Joanne R. Detwiler and James L. Dodwell

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR VENTURE CAPITALIST DISTRIBUTION OF STOCK

ENCLOSED are the following:

1. Specification, abstract and claims (39 pages)
2. 17 sheets of formal informal drawings (Figs. 1-6, 7A-C, 8, 9A-C, 10-13)
Suggested Figure for Publication: _____
3. Declaration
 signed unsigned
 Copy from a prior application (for continuation/divisional)
4. Application Data Sheet
5. Preliminary Amendment
6. Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449
7. Assignment and Assignment Recordation sheet (*Fee calculated separately*)
8. The prior application is assigned to: _____
The assignment was recorded on _____ at reel _____ and frame _____.
 A copy of the assignment from the prior application is enclosed.
9. Non-Publication Request
10. Other:

NOTE the following:

11. This application is made under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (b) and is a

Continuation Continuation-In-Part Divisional
 of Prior Application No. _____ filed _____

12. An Extension of time is filed concurrently herewith for the parent application.

13. Small Entity Status:

Applicant is a small entity
 Small entity status claimed in the parent application is no longer proper

14. Applicants claim priority from the following application(s) under 35 U.S.C. § 119:

15. Applicants claim priority from the following application(s) under 35 U.S.C. § 120:

| <u>Serial Number</u> | <u>Country</u> | <u>Filing Date</u> | <u>Certified Copy Encl.</u> |
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15. Cancel claims _____ prior to calculation of the filing fee.

FILING FEE: calculated below (after accounting for any preliminary amendment or claims cancellations if noted above):

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|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|------------|
| Basic Filing Fee | | | \$740.00 |
| Total No. Claims 43 | Extra Claims(Total-20) 23 | Fee / claim \$18.00 | \$414.00 |
| Total No. Independent Claims 5 | Extra Independ.(No.-3) 2 | Fee / claim \$84.00 | \$168.00 |
| Multiple dependent claim? + \$280 | | | \$0 |
| Sub-Total | | | \$1,322.00 |
| Small Entity? less 50% | | | -0.00 |
| TOTAL FEE DUE | | | \$1,322.00 |

16. A check in the amount of is enclosed (must at least cover the basic fee).
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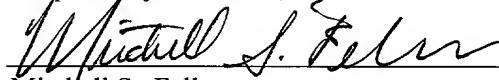
In the event that a petition for extension of time is required to be submitted in the pending prior application, and in the event that a separate petition for the pending prior application is not filed on even date, applicant hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R.1.136(a) for an extension of time in the pending prior application of as many months as are required to render this submission timely. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees due in connection with such a petition to Deposit Account No. 50-0521.

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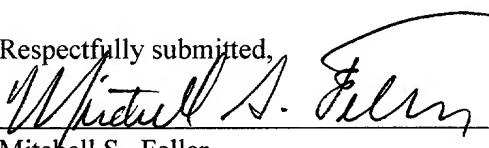
Sir:

It is hereby requested that the present application not be published under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b).

The undersigned hereby certifies that, as of the date of the execution of this document, the invention disclosed in the above-identified application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications eighteen months after filing.

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